[Mr. Kainikkara M. Padmanabha Pillai.]

(*a*) the principles that guide the Ayurveda Inspector in recommending the recognition of *Vaidyans* with no examination qualifications;

(*b*) whether the Inspector or any other person or body conducts any kind of examination before such recognitions are granted;

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the affirmative, the nature of the examination;

(*d*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the negative, what guarantee there is that a *Vaidyan* so recognised will not prove a public danger; and

(*e*) the total number of such recommendations made by the present Inspector and how many of them have been accepted by the Government?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Scientific knowledge, experience, heredity, success in the profession, popularity and the conduct of *vaidyasalas* in conformity with the prescribed departmental rules.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) In view of the answer to part (*b*), this does not arise.

(*d*) The principles referred in part (*a*) are sufficient guarantees.

(*e*) It is not possible to furnish the information as the period for which the same is required has not been specified by the member.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): I submit, Sir, that the period I have given is absolutely specific.

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It is a long period and it has not been possible to collect the information.

PRESIDENT: You have not specified the period, Mr. Padmanabha Pillai.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): Only one period is possible.

PRESIDENT: What is it?

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): The period after this gentleman became Inspector.

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That is a long period, Sir.

Recognised Ayurvedic Vaidyans and the Shashtiabdapurthi Gold Medal.

289. ***MR. T. K. ALEXANDER** (*Kunnatnad I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

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(*a*) whether Ayurvedic *Vaidyans* of the recognised *vaidyasalas* are allowed to compete for the gold medal sanctioned by the Government and instituted in connection with the Shashtiabdapurthi of His Highness the late Sri Mulam Thirunal Maha Raja ;

(*b*) if not, why ;

(*c*) whether subscriptions were not collected from the recognised *vaidyasalas* in connection with the celebration of the Shashtiabdapurthi ; and

(*d*) the name of the recipient of the medal for 1108 ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) No.

(*b*) The Gold Medal was founded by the grant-in-aid *Vaidyans* out of funds collected from among themselves ; and under the rules for the administration and award of the medal, it can be awarded only to an Ayurveda *Vaidgan* receiving grant-in-aid.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) No medal was awarded during the year.

Visha Vaidyasalas in the Chirayinkil taluk.

290. ***MR. K. PADMANABHAN** (*Chirayinkil I*): Will the Government be pleased to state the number of grant-in-aid *visha vaidyasalas* in the Chirayinkil taluk ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : Two.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know whether there is a *visha vaidyasala* at Vakkom ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

Ryots' road from Kuzhithura to Madichal.

291. ***MR. M. MAHOMED HANEEF** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they are aware of the handing over of the ryots' road from Kuzhittura to Madichal in the Vilavankod taluk to the P. W. D. authorities by the Road Committee;

(*b*) the date when the above road was handed over ; and

(*c*) whether any work has been done subsequent to the handing over of the road to the departmental authorities ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT : (*Chief Engineer*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) 18-2-1109.

(*c*) No. The road, as it is, is a poor trace with steep gradients ; and the Chief Engineer has therefore been asked to trace a new line.

MR. M. MAHOMED HANEEF (*Nominated*) : May I know whether that road is being maintained by the P. W. D. ?

MR. G. B. E TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*) : I do not think it is.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*) : Has the Chief Engineer inspected this road ?

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